Should you ever need help, please do not hesitate to call me.
I ONLY DID WHAT WAS NATURAL.
Y-You're a life-saver...
NO.
Thank you very much.
Y—Yes!
IT IS MY DUTY TO MAINTAIN THE PEACE OF THE PEOPLE.
MY NAME IS SCARLET BLOOM.
Akane-sa—
MY NAME IS!!
SCARLET BLOOM!!

Right.
Turn Akane into a masked hero?

A FEW DAYS AGO
We've made our rounds around the entire country with Akane's speeches, so now we need to think of our next plan...

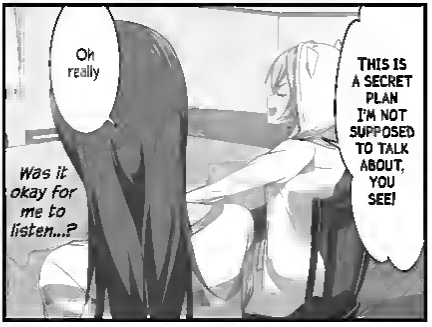
And then when we reveal who she is, she should see a big jump in her popularity.
If we hide her identity, I'm sure Akane will be able to assertively help others,

Mm?
...Hey Hikari, why did you decide to become an idol?

So I was wondering if you could create her a special disguise...
I think this is the only way we can raise Akane's approval ratings

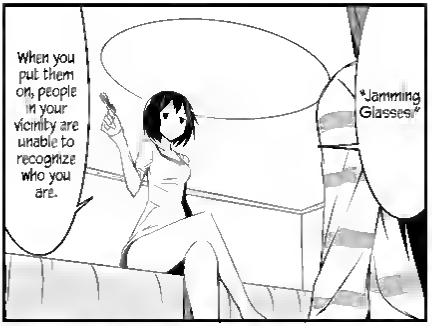
AOI CAME UP WITH AN IDEA AFTER USING HIKARI'S PLAN OF BECOMING AN IDOL AS A HINT.
HMHM!
YOU SEE, THAT'S

KANA-DE!!
What a farce...
Plea—
NO.


Oh really
Was it okay for me to listen...?
THIS IS A SECRET PLAN I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO TALK ABOUT, YOU SEE!

Okay!
Wait here for a bit.
But whether she's King or not, if she stays the way she is now, it's just going to be nothing but hardship for her in the future
I thought I could just go around the country with her,
So, where did she go?
SLAM
I think she'll be able to gradually build her confidence
If she's able to somehow show that she can stand in front of people,
Oh that was fast
KERCHAK
.....
THAT'S WHY, PLEASE...!
It looked like she only went to her room to get those glasses, but this is...
Eh?
Here
KANADE!
...THIS CONVERSATION DRAGGED ON FOR SO LONG THAT I CHANGED MY MIND.

...And that's how it works...


"Jamming Glasses!"
When you put them on, people in your vicinity are unable to recognize who you are.

If it's something I can do, then I want to fix my shyness
I'll give it a try..!

However, the effect applies only when Akane wears them in order to save costs on creating them.

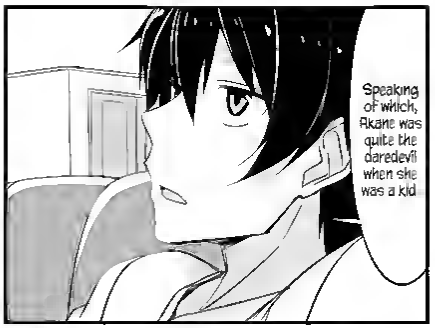
H-How is it...!?
Y-Yeah..

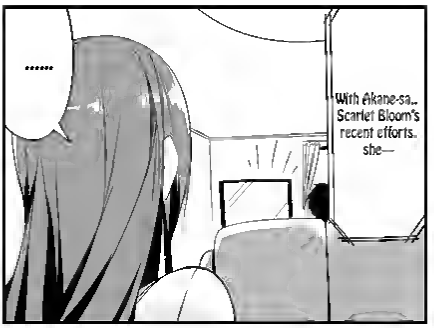
Also, these glasses are less effective against people aware of what it does
.....

I guess you feel different than usual... I guess..
Kanade, it's just not very effective against me, right...?

If you aren't going to believe it, then—
FWIP
THANK YOU, KANADE!
WAAH!

Who is this person?
If it's these two...
Shu-kun, what do you think?
What do you mean, nee-san?
BY THIS POINT, KANADE HAD TOLD EVERYONE IN THE FAMILY EXCEPT AKANE AND AOI ABOUT THE SITUATION
UNKNOWN LADY
SHE IS AN UNKNOWN LADY
Who do you think this girl is?
There's a limit to what I can overlook!
This is a lie for the sake of justice, right, honored sister...!?
This is for Akane-onee-sama's future...
Who? It's Aka
Ah
AND SO, THE HERO PLAN BEGAN.
Shiori! It's just me!
I know
IT HAS TO BE BECAUSE SHE'S SCARED OF THE UNKNOWN LADY IN THE HOUSE!
SHIORI STARTED CRYING!
He just went "ah!"
She's quite the cutie
He didn't find out!
THIS GIRL DOESN'T RING A BELL AT ALL.


Speaking of which, Akane was quite the daredevil when she was a kid.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With Akane-sa... Scarlet Bloom's recent efforts, she—

HONORED SISTER, IS THAT TRUE!? THAT IS SO COOL!
IT WAS A LONG TIME AGO
She'd say stuff like, "I'll protect the peace of the people!" and so forth

My approval ratings are going up, too.
Looking pretty good, Akane.

WHOO
SH
BELOW THE CASTLE DANCES A SINGLE PETAL!

I'm sure it's due to your speeches.
...Huh? Why are they going up if I'm hiding my identity?

STOP IT!!!!
You did this one earlier, didn't you?

I'll eat some!
But—
WE HAVE SOME CAKE, WOULD YOU LIKE SOME, AKANE?

Hikari, what's wrong?
IT'S ANOTHER STORY WHEN I'M IN MY DISGUISE!
Why even be embarrassed at this point?
You're acting kind of strange, you know?
Huh? Oh it's nothing
Ehhh?
Jeeeeez, I shouldn't have blown my cover just because you're all family...
Ah, this is half-eaten, but you can have it if you'd like, Bloom-san.
HIKARI.
It's not like everyone in the country doesn't already kn–
LET'S HAVE ONE MORE CHAT, SHALL WE?
WHY DON'T WE HAVE A LITTLE TALK OVER THERE?
HIKARI.
CHEW
CHEW

CHATTER
CHATTER
Alright, let's all do it together
Hey, hey! Do that one thing you always do!

Thank you!

BELOW THE CASTLE DANCES A SINGLE PETAL,
SST...
BLOOMING GRACE-FULLY IN THE GARDEN OF THE KING,

Oh, my apologies for this.

Akari-sama
SCARLET BLOOM!!
ARDENT RIGOR!
BA
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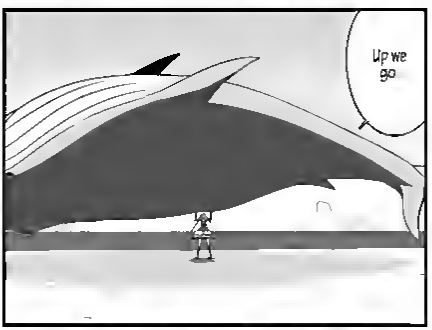
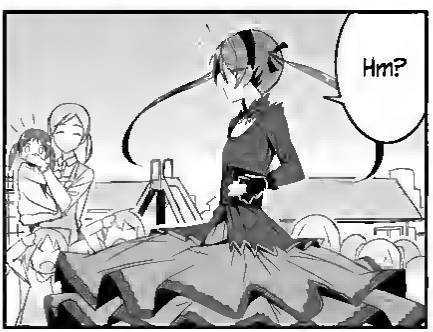
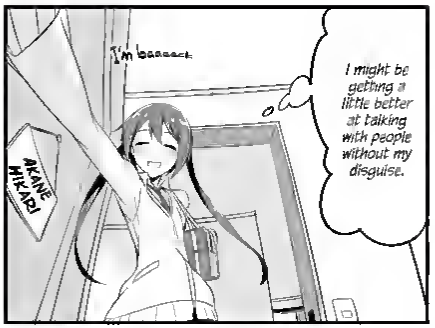

Up we go


Hm?

I feel so fulfilled right now.
Ahh,
WOO
OOOO

OVER THERE!
!?
MAMA !!!
Y-You think so?
You don't seem to freak out so much when you're outside anymore these days, Akane.
THAT'S NOT GOOD, AKANE!
!!
Yamaa
Yep, yep
it feels like a dream being able to stop by somewhere on the way home from school with you
HUH?
HUFF
SHE'S NOT GOING TO HOLD OUT AT THAT RA...
BE CAREFUL, YOU TWO.
I'm pretty sure it's because of that hero stuff she's been doing though.
I wonder if something happened, huh?
POOSH
WHA!?
If she's fine with it, then whatever.
TH-THERE WASN'T ANY-THING, REALLY!


I'm baaaack.
AKANE MIKARI
I might be getting a little better at talking with people without my disguise.

Oh no, I'm glad she's safe and sound
Thank you so much...

Oh, that's not good, I forgot my glasses...

Um, um...
Come on, you need to thank her, too

Thank you, Scarlet Bloom!
Wait, huh...? Earlier, didn't she...

Thank you, Scarlet Bloom!

THE DAY WHEN AKANE SEES THE TRUTH IS A LONG WAYS AWAY
No way... Are people becoming less and less aware of me as "Akane" even when I'm not wearing the glasses now...!?

Hm?
Don't play on the veranda anymore since it's not safe, okay?